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COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT NO.

TOPIC Soviet Troop Trains

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DATE OF CONTENT 20 October to 5 November 1953

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. The following converte l boxcars (C/B) had to be made available between 25 October and 5 November 1953:

Date in October	Number of Cars	In
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28	3 C/B	Jüterbog-Altdöbern
29	30 C/B	Frankfurt/Oder
30	30 C/B	"
31	22 C/B	Brandenburg Altdöbern
1	8 C/B	Sabikorn

Date in November	Number of Cars	In
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2	2 C/B	Jüterbog Altdöbern
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5	5 C/B	"
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2. Troop trains passing through Neuburgoe between 24 and 28 October included:

B = boxcar
F = flatcar

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Date in October	Number and Type of Cars	Road	From	Toward
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24	50 B,	troops	Küstrin	Cottbus
25	50 B	"	"	"
14 F	12 AT guns	from the direction of Cottbus		Frankfurt/Oder

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26	54 B	Troops	Kueswirn	Cottbus	
	55 B	"	"	"	
27	55 B	"	"	to Klotzsche	
	55 B	"	Franfurt/Oder	Cottbus	
28	56 B	"	Kueswirn	"	
	10 R, 22 F	15 two-wheel mountain trucks	Franfurt/Oder	"	

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3. Troop trains loaded in Brandenburg-Altstadt on 26 and 28 October included:

Date in October	Number and Type of Cars	Load	To
26	9 G/B	270 troops	Franfurt/Oder
	9 G/B	180 "	Potsdam
28	1 G/B	20 "	Jueterbog-Altes Lager
	3 F	6 AA guns	

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4. Troop trains observed included:

20 October. A train of 49 boxcars with troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia from Prest Litevsk to Jueterbog-Altes Lager.

21 October. A shipment of 8 boxcars with troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, attached to a passenger train from Rosslau to Wittenberg and bound for Jueterbog-Altes Lager.

28 October. A train of 60 boxcars with troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with tank insignia, and a few, red epaulets, which passed through Falkenberg, coming from Riesa and bound for Jueterbog.

A train of 60 boxcars with troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets including some with tank insignia, and a few, red epaulets, which passed through Wittenberg, proceeding toward Cuxhaven.

1 November. A train of 16 boxcars with troops wearing red-bordered black and red epaulets, from Cottbus to Jueterbog. A similar shipment was announced for 3 November.

5. Two shipments of 39 and 40 boxcars occupied by troops passed through Finsterwalde on 28 October, coming from the Direction of Cottbus and proceeding toward Doberlug-Kirchhain.

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Date in Number and Number
October Type of Cars of Tons

From

To

23	8 C/B		Magdeburg- Brueckfeld	Borsotel	25X1)
	7 C/B	*		Ludwigslust	25X1)
	8 C/B	*		Schwerin	25X1)
28	12 C/B, 3 B	Ludwigslust		Magdeburg Brueckfeld)
29	11 C/B, 3 B	Perleberg		Dranse		25X1
	6 F	612				
	11 C/B, 4 B	Ludwigslust	"			
	11 F	292				
	11 C/B, 3 F, 302	Parchim	"			
	3 F					
	20 C/B, 4 B, 713	Schwerin		Wittstock		
	30 F					
30	7 C/B, 1 B, 563	Nauenow		Dranse		
	24 F					
	10 C/B, 1 E, 447	Wismar	"			
	20 F					

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1. [] Comment. The two shipments were reported [] as dispatched [] 25X1
from Rathenow. []. As the two trains probably
carried recruits to the posts of the IV Arty Corps, Rathenow as dispatching
station appears more credible.

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2. [] Comment. The interzonal shuttle-train [] carried recruits to Stendal-
Borsotel, Ludwigslust and Schwerin from Magdeburg on 23 October. [] 25X1

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3. [] Comment. From the low loads stated, it is inferred that the trains did
not carry tanks. The movements cannot be accounted for. The Wittstock training
grounds had been vacated by the elements of the 18th Mecha Div prior to mid-Oc-
tober.

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